Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20554

In re Applications of MM DOCKET NO. 92-111 File No. BPH-910208MB DRAS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. File No. BPH-910211MA DRAGONFLY COMMUNICATIONS, INC. File No. BPH-910211MB HEALDSBURG BROADCASTING, INC. File No. BPH-910211MI BECKWITH COMMUNICATIONS, INC. File No. BPH-910211ML DESERT ROCK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP HEALDSBURG EMPIRE CORPORATION File No. BPH-910211MM For Construction Permit for a RECEIVED New FM Station on Channel 240A in Healdsburg, California

To: Administrative Law Judge Edward J. Kuhlmann

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MASS MEDIA BUREAU'S OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND

- 1. On June 19, 1992, Healdsburg Broadcasting, Inc. ("HBI"), filed a Petition for Leave to Amend. The Mass Media Bureau submits the following opposition.
- 2. In its amendment, HBI seeks to address the discrepancies noted in paragraph 8 of the <u>Hearing Designation Order</u>, 7 FCC Rcd 3135 (1992) (<u>HDO</u>), and the rule violation noted in paragraph 9 of the <u>HDO</u>. HBI also submits the environmental assessment requested in paragraph 11 of the <u>HDO</u>. With regard to paragraph 8 of the <u>HDO</u>, HBI has now resolved the discrepancy in its HAAT which was noted in the <u>HDO</u>. HBI has also accurately depicted the distances to its contours.
 - 3. With regard to paragraph 9 Not of Copies (HBI has List ABCDE

submitted a new directional antenna proposal which indicates that there would not be a contour overlap with Station KKHI-FM, San Francisco, California. However, the directional antenna which HBI proposes to use would have a radiation pattern which would violate Section 73.316(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules. Rule Section states, "Directional antennas that have a radiation pattern which varies more that 2 dB per 10 degrees of azimuth will not be authorized." The information provided by HBI in its "Horizontal Plane Relative Field Tabulation For Proposed Directional Antenna" (Exhibit-3, page 2), indicates that the radiation pattern which HBI proposes varies 2.145 dB between 180 degrees and 190 degrees azimuth. This information has been confirmed by the Bureau's own engineering study. variation exceeds the 2 dB amount allowed by the Commission's rule, HBI's amendment is not acceptable for filing.

4. The <u>HDO</u> specifically states at paragraph 9, that HBI will be given "one opportunity to submit a minor curative amendment." Moreover, the <u>HDO</u> states that "[i]f the amendment ... for any other reason is unacceptable for filing, the amendment along with HBI's application will be dismissed." Because HBI's amendment violates the provisions of Section 73.316 of the Commission's Rules, it is not acceptable for filing and should be dismissed along with HBI's application.

5. In view of the foregoing, the Bureau opposes HBI's Petition for Leave to Amend. Moreover, the Presiding Judge should follow the directive in paragraph 9 of the <u>HDO</u> and dismiss HBI's application.

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